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SUBJECT: INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION SCHEDULES
VISIT TO ARGENTINA; NEW INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS
TO HOLD FIRST MEETING

1. (LOU - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION WILL VISIT
ARGENTINA FROM SEPTEMBER 6-20. THE VISIT, ORIGINALLY
SCHEDULED FOR MAY 28-JUNE 10, WAS POSTPONED BECAUSE OF THE
ELECTION OF A NEW COMMISSION AT THE SPECIAL OAS GENERAL
ASSEMBLY ON MAY 22. THE NEWLY-ELECTED COMMISSION, WHICH
HAS BEEN MEETING THIS WEEK, ELECTED DR. ANDRES AGUILAR OF
VENEZUELA AS ITS PRESIDENT AND DR. LUIS TINOCO OF COSTA

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RICA AS VICE PRESIDENT. DR. THOMAS FARER OF THE U.S. IS A
MEMBER OF THE SEVEN-MAN COMMISSION.

3. THE U.S. HAD-HOPED THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD BE ABLE TO

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VISIT ARGENTINA EARLIER, -BUT IAHRC SOURCES SAID THAT PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS BY SOME COMMISSIONERS PREVENTED THIS. PRESIDENT AGUILAR, FOR EXAMPLE, IS VENEZUELA'S DELEGATE TO THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, WHICH MEETS IN JULY AND AUGUST. HE ALSO CHAIRS ONE OF THE CONFERENCE'S MAIN WORKING GROUPS.

4. THE NEW INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS, ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING IN WASHINGTON ON JUNE 29. DR. THOMAS BUERGENTHAL OF THE U.S. IS A JUDGE OF THE SEVEN-MEMBER COURT. CHRISTOPHER

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